

Professionals Gather for the Pittsburgh Women In Leadership Symposium



This conference focused on recognizing the accomplishments of women in leadership positions in Pennsylvania businesses.

PITTSBURGH – December 1, 2011 – The Second Annual Women in Leadership Symposium was held in Pittsburgh at the Sheraton Station Square Hotel on Wednesday, March 2. Over 80 top-ranking women from Pittsburgh’s most influential organizations gathered to celebrate the achievements of women in the local business community. The theme of this year’s conference was “Purpose, Passion, and Performance — A New Era.”

The conference opened with a period where the attendees could network with each other, allowing some of the Pittsburgh’s business elite to make invaluable cross-industry contacts. “We believe that the networking session was beneficial to the guests. This was a rare opportunity for Pittsburgh’s businesswomen to dialog regarding their strategies and successes in a friendly environment. I hope we

were able to facilitate some long-lasting, career-changing contacts,” said Dennis Kennedy, Founder and CEO of the National Diversity Council.

Following the networking session, the symposium itself began. A variety of influential and accomplished women from Pennsylvania’s leading companies served as panelists to head up a multi-layer discussion aimed at helping female leaders to be indispensable in today’s professional atmosphere. The discussion topics included “Perceptions of Assertive Women,” “Pursuing Leadership Excellence,” and “Overcoming Workforce Barriers,” among others. The aim of this year’s discussion was to demonstrate what it means to be a woman in a leadership role, while giving local businesswomen the keys to entering and keeping positions of power.

The Third Annual Pittsburgh Women in Leadership Conference will be held on Thursday, March 1, 2012.